GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2928
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2007
THREATENING OF RAILWAY OFFICIALS
Meinya Dr. Thokchom

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Officials who are deployed in Jirbam − Tupul Project are getting threats from some regional outfits;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of security measures taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. One incident of threat has so far been reported. On 9.3.2007 at about 07.30 hrs, an extortion notice of Rs.5 lakhs was served to Shri Himanshu Das, Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction)/ Silchar working in Jirbam − Tupul Project through a vehicle driver by N.S.C.L.-K (National Socialist Council of Nagaland − Khaplang). Later, the suspected extremist contacted Shri Das through phone and demanded the money. But no payment has been made.

(c): FIR has been lodged with local police Silchar on 15.03.2007. A co-ordination meeting with Superintendent of Police/ Silchar, Army Officials of Jirbam and Para Military Forces deployed at Jirbam was organized by Railway Protection Force / Lumding. No further report of any threat has been received. Regular liaison with local police, Army, Para Military Forces and Civil Authority is being maintained to ensure security of Railway employees engaged in Jirbam − Tupul Project.